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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING  
ANTIGENIC HIV TYPE C POLYPEPTIDES,  
POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 8, 2010 (Paper No. 20100903), for which a response was due on December 8, 2010. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.